IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Inventor(s): ESCH et al.

Appln. No.: 08 870,591

Series Code ↑ Serial No. ↑

Filed: June 6, 1997

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER PADENCE.

Group Art Unit

Examiner: HEN Atty. Dkt. P 023

HENDRICKSON, S.L. 0238397 | O.Z. 6171.2-US

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Appln. Title: PRECIPITATED SILICA

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This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim							
A. \(\sum \frac{\text{NOT}}{\text{Withdrawn}} \) C. \(\sum \) made herewith D. \(\sum \) made previously For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
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2. Total Effective Claims	3	**minus	20	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	1	***minus	3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u> time (leave <u>blank</u> if this is a <u>reissue</u> application)						+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date:		⋈ NONE					1
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due (1 mo) \$110/\$55 = date to cover the date this response is filed for which the (2 mos) \$410/\$205 = +\$0						T.	115/215 116/216
requisite fee is attached (2 mos) \$930/\$465 =							117/217
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7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract - \$0						450 .426	& tooks.
8. Extension Fee						+ \$0	
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee						+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c),						+ \$0	126
or if Rule 97(d) Request add + \$180							126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) + \$750/370						+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) x \$750/375 ea						+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) + \$750/375						+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for							,
15. TOTAL FEE =						\$0	
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Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975) (Our Order No. 021123 0238397 c# M#

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the pending claims on the merits and further to the applicants' response filed on April 15, 2003, along with the request for continued examination (RCE), the applicants respectfully consideration of the following remarks.

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